

The following Hymn is in the handwriting of  
Ex President John Quincy Adams.

### The Hour Glass.

1.

Alas! how swift the moments fly!  
Slow flash the years along!  
Scarcely here, yet gone already by!  
The burden of a song.  
See Childhood youth and manhood pass,  
And Age with sorrow'd brow.  
Time was - Time shall be, drain the glass  
But where in Time is now?

2.

Time is the measure but of change:  
No present hour is found.  
The past - the future fill the range  
Of Times unceasing round  
Where then is now? In realms above  
With God's atoning Lamb.  
In regions of eternal Love,  
Where sits enthron'd I am.

3

Then, Pilgrim let thy joys and tears  
On Time, no longer lean;  
But henceforth all thy hopes and fears  
From Earth's affections wean.  
To God! let volitive accents rise:  
"With Truth - with virtue live;  
So all the bliss that Time denies  
Eternity shall give."



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man with God and his saints,  
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